

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

*SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
COLUMBIA INSTITUTION
FOR THE DEAF*

*TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1928*

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COLUMBIA INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF,
KENDALL GREEN,
Washington, D. C., September 1, 1928.

SIR: During the fiscal year July 1, 1927, through June 30, 1928, there were under instruction in the advanced department of the institution, known as Gallaudet College, 84 men and 60 women, a total of 144, representing 37 States and Canada. This is an increase of 9 compared with the preceding year.

In the primary and grammar department, known as the Kendall School, there were under instruction 35 boys and 25 girls, a total of 60. This is an increase of 4 compared with the preceding year. Of the total in this department, 53 were admitted as beneficiaries of the District of Columbia.

There were admitted to the institution 34 males and 36 females; discharged, 31 males and 23 females.

HEALTH

The health of the students and pupils of the institution during the fiscal year was good. There were a few scattered cases of German measles, but no serious contagious diseases. A number of serious surgical operations were necessary, including one for appendicitis. The latter case made a rapid recovery. There were three operations for mastoid disease, all of which were apparently successful. One of the young women of the higher department of the institution was taken to the hospital with peritonitis, caused by the perforation of an ulcer in the intestinal tract. Every effort was made to save the life of this student through blood transfusions and operations. She died after a short illness, the first death among the advanced students in the past 10 years.

The quality of milk supplied to the pupils and employees of the institution from our farm has continued to be very high. Weekly bacteriological tests have shown remarkably low bacteria counts throughout the year. The latest District of Columbia rating of our dairy is over 95 per cent.

COURSES OF INSTRUCTION

In the collegiate department the study of logic by the seniors was suspended for a year and a course on the history of the education of the deaf was substituted. The course of study in the Kendall School remained as in the previous year.

NEEDS OF THE INSTITUTION

There is a wide demand on the part of heads of State schools for the deaf that the advanced department of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf furnish more vocational courses. It is suggested that courses in architectural and advanced mechanical drawing be added to the present curriculum, particularly for the young men, and that courses in office practice be offered especially for young women. An additional teacher of speech and auricular training is much needed. Such additions would call for at least three extra instructors.

Aside from the need of adding to the course of instruction which has just been mentioned, there is a pressing necessity to add a day watchman to the force of employees to look after our grounds, direct visitors, and prevent destruction of property.

The free scholarships provided by Congress for students in the advanced department of our institution were practically all filled during this fiscal year. The necessity of providing 25 additional scholarships in the near future, or a total of 150, is apparent, if the institution is to grow and continue to be of the greatest benefit to advanced students from the United States and its Territories.

Attention has been called a number of times to the crowded condition of our dormitories, and the pressing need of additional room for the offices, classrooms, and library which are now taken care of in the college men's dormitory. A new administration building would provide for these needs for the present.

With the building of a higher stack at our power plant the old boilers and the new boiler to be installed in the fiscal year 1928-29 will be able to handle the additional heating load that the new building would impose upon the power plant.

One of the greatest needs of the institution at the present time is a revision of the salary scale upward. The institution has suffered much from the loss of valuable employees during the past two or three years. Special provision has been made for the increase of salaries for Government employees for the coming year and years to follow. Our employees are not Government employees, but should certainly be paid as well.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE PROBLEMS OF THE DEAF

A special committee on the problems of the deaf has been appointed by the National Research Council to take up problems presented by educators of the deaf and lay out a possible research program in order to improve the curricula, teacher training, and methods of instruction used in schools for the deaf, as well as to aid in many problems of the hard of hearing. The president of this institution has been made a member of this committee, and chairman of the subcommittee on training of teachers of the deaf.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF THE DISBURSING AGENT AND OF THE TREASURER OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1928

	Receipts	Expenses		Receipts	Expenses
AUTOMOBILES			FARM—continued		
Salaries.....		\$704. 83	Fruit and vegetables.....	\$2. 60	
Supplies.....		20. 93	Poultry and eggs.....	596. 87	
Gasoline and oil.....	\$5. 55	356. 13	Total.....	3, 879. 12	\$11, 651. 47
Equipment.....	1. 00	1, 315. 76	GALLAUDET COLLEGE		
Sundries.....		330. 81	Salaries.....		39, 582. 35
Repairs.....	17. 21	678. 30	Supplies.....		1, 112. 11
Total.....	23. 76	3, 406. 76	Food.....	9. 25	14, 153. 50
COMMISSARY STORES			Equipment.....	1. 17	824. 25
Salaries.....		805. 00	Doctors and medicines.....	161. 75	2, 046. 17
Supplies.....		. 25	Sundries.....		134. 15
Equipment.....		3. 81	Library.....		489. 02
Merchandise.....	8. 68	6, 716. 62	Laboratory.....	8. 63	514. 87
Sundries.....		. 60	Printing office.....	1, 030. 14	2, 875. 15
Total.....	8. 68	7, 526. 28	Tuition.....	5, 420. 00	
FARM ¹			Total.....	6, 630. 94	61, 731. 57
Salaries.....		4, 043. 18	HEAT, LIGHT, AND POWER		
Supplies.....		1, 278. 77	Salaries.....		3, 201. 42
Feed.....		4, 485. 39	Supplies.....		216. 30
Plants and seeds.....		81. 29	Coal.....		6, 096. 44
Equipment.....		1, 122. 90	Gas.....		1, 426. 20
Livestock.....	910. 92	240. 00	Equipment.....		31. 72
Care of livestock.....		74. 02	Sundries.....		11. 45
Sundries.....	93. 11	49. 47	Total.....		10, 973. 53
Repairs.....		276. 45			
Milk.....	2, 275. 62				

¹ The account for the year of the farm in its relation with the other parts of the institution was as follows:

DEBITS	
Board and laundry of farm hands.....	\$520. 00
Repairs.....	1, 012. 52
Sundries.....	103. 36
Total.....	1, 635. 88
CREDITS	
Milk.....	5, 786. 92
Fruits and vegetables.....	72. 95
Livestock.....	395. 71
Poultry and eggs.....	879. 77
Sundries.....	83. 12
Total.....	7, 218. 47
Total debits.....	1, 635. 88
Total credits.....	7, 218. 47
Credit balance.....	5, 582. 59

Combined statement of the disbursing agent and of the treasurer of receipts and expenses for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1928—Continued

	Receipts	Expenses		Receipts	Expenses
IMPROVEMENTS, RENEWALS, AND REPAIRS			OFFICE AND ADMINISTRATION		
Salaries.....		\$8, 139. 92	Salaries.....		\$9, 718. 03
Supplies.....	\$39. 28	3, 956. 02	Supplies.....		73. 84
Equipment.....		100. 39	Equipment.....	\$25. 00	240. 74
Sundries.....		29. 28	Sundries.....		18. 40
Contract.....	50. 00	2, 064. 50	Communication service.....	87. 09	855. 65
Total.....	89. 28	14, 290. 11	Total.....	112. 09	10, 906. 66
KENDALL SCHOOL			PARKING		
Salaries.....		15, 657. 24	Salaries.....		6, 365. 54
Supplies.....		504. 83	Supplies.....		637. 14
Food.....	5. 10	2, 943. 91	Equipment.....		97. 08
Equipment.....		513. 42	Sundries.....	738. 14	12. 03
Doctors and medicines.....	9. 75	805. 01	Contracts.....		131. 04
Sundries.....	58. 75	252. 28	Board of horses.....		
Tuition.....	2, 210. 00		Total.....	738. 14	7, 242. 88
Total.....	2, 283. 66	20, 677. 29	SPECIAL		
LAUNDRY			Equipment.....		
Salaries.....		2, 322. 50	Contracts.....		
Supplies.....		69. 88	Grand total.....	155, 400. 04	155, 063. 65
Equipment.....		20. 41			
Sundries.....		30. 44	RECAPITULATION OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES		
Total.....		2, 443. 23	Salaries.....		92, 648. 01
MISCELLANEOUS			Supplies.....	59. 24	37, 402. 93
Merchandise.....	1, 254. 29	1, 073. 71	Equipment.....	27. 17	4, 510. 48
Sundries.....	475. 91	122. 67	United States appropriation.....	139, 904. 17	510. 02
Traveling.....		381. 47	Merchandise.....	1, 262. 97	7, 790. 33
United States appropriation.....	139, 904. 17	510. 02	Sundries.....	14, 146. 49	12, 201. 88
Total.....	141, 634. 37	2, 087. 87	Total.....	155, 400. 04	155, 063. 65
NORMAL DEPARTMENT			Cash on hand July 1, 1927.....	198. 06	534. 45
Salaries.....		2, 108. 00	Cash on hand June 30, 1928.....		
Sundries.....		18. 00	Total.....	155, 598. 10	155, 598. 10
Total.....		2, 126. 00			

	Receipts	Ex-penses		Receipts	Ex-penses
INVESTED FUNDS			INVESTED FUNDS—contd.		
General fund:			Manual-labor fund:		
Balance on hand July 1, 1927.....	\$523. 31		Balance on hand July 1, 1927.....	\$1, 098. 60	
Receipts from coupons, sale of bonds, and interest on bank deposits.....	1, 036. 92		Receipts from coupons.....	195. 00	
Total.....	1, 560. 23		Balance on hand June 30, 1928.....	1, 393. 60	
Expenses for bonds, book-keeping, premium on bond of treasurer, handling of safety-deposit box, contribution to Garfield Memorial loan fund, etc.....		\$696. 51	Memorial art fund:		
Cash on hand June 30, 1928.....		863. 72	Balance on hand July 1, 1927.....	280. 70	
Total.....		1, 560. 23	Receipts from coupons.....	24. 25	
			Total.....	304. 95	
			Expenses for repairing paintings in chapel.....		\$50. 00
			Cash on hand June 30, 1928.....		254. 95
			Total.....		304. 95

EXERCISES OF PRESENTATION DAY

The sixty-fourth public anniversary of the collegiate department was held in the college Chapel on Tuesday, June 12. The invocation was offered by Dr. Newton P. Patterson, minister, First Presbyterian Church.

The orations given by members of the graduating class were as follows:

Heirlooms of the Library, Ellen Marie Parker, Illinois.

The Gallaudet Ideal, James Theodore Flood, Ohio.

Mythology and Folklore of Erin, Lillian M. Gourley, Michigan.

The following candidates were granted degrees:

Honorary master of arts

Mabel Ellery Adams, Massachusetts.

Francis P. Gibson, Illinois.

Master of arts in the normal department

Isabella Carter, B. A., Gooding College.

John F. Grace, B. S., Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas.

Elmer Humphrey, B. A., Colorado College.

Edwin G. Peterson, B. A., North Central College.

Alice Stevens, B. A., University of Texas.

Robert Morrow, B. A., George Washington University.

Bachelor of science

Estelle Collins Caldwell, Texas.

Dorothy Ethel Clark, Colorado.

Lucile DuBose, South Carolina.

Lillian M. Gourley, Michigan.

Leon Stanislaw Heinrich, Indiana.

Peter Emil Henriksen, Nebraska.

Alice Jane McVan, New York.

Charles Joseph Miller, Ohio.

Ellen Marie Parker, Illinois.

Carey Cook Shaw, Texas.

Bachelor of arts

Mabel Camaish Armstrong, Idaho.

Lillian Bainer, Maryland.

Joseph Carlton Collins, Texas.

John Aloysius Deady, Connecticut.

James Theodore Flood, Ohio.

William Albert Johnson, Illinois.

William Allen Landry, Rhode Island.

Peter Douglas Stewart, Saskatchewan.

Certificate of graduation from the normal department

Louise Becker, Maryland.

Dr. Lucius C. Clark, chancellor, American University, delivered the address to the graduating class and friends of the college.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Arthur D. Bryant.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PERCIVAL HALL, *President*.

The SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

